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Applicants: Degady et al.

Examiner: Arthur L. Corbin

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of one month is hereby requested to file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Amendment and Response. A Notice of Appeal was received by the USPTO on December 3, 2004, as indicated by the date stamp thereon. Accordingly, an Appeal Brief was due on February 3, 2004.

A one-month extension is respectfully requested to file the RCE on or before March 3, 2004. The requisite fee in the amount of \$120.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is enclosed by check.

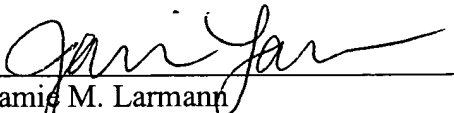
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